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SUBJECT: PRIVATE VISIT OF J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT

1. FORMER SENATOR W.J. FULBRIGHT, NOW A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF IEE, W.B. EDGERTON, PRESIDENT, IIE, AND GEORGE HALL, CONSULTANT TO IIE, WILL BE VISITING CARACAS MAY 11 THROUGH MAY 15.

2. OBJECTIVES OF VISIT ARE DISCUSSIONS WITH NATIONAL LEADERS ON EDUCATIONAL PRIORITIES AND USE OF AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES IN FURTHERING MANPOWER GOALS, AND CONTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION TO CROSS-CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING.

3. IIE REQUESTS EMBASSY MAKE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS:

--- PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ

--- MIN. FOREIGN AFFAIRS ESCOBAR SALOM

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--- MIN. OF EDUCATION PENALVER

4. ALSO PLAN DISCUSSIONS WITH OFFICIALS FUNDACION GMA TO ASSESS AND EVALUATE ON-GOING PROGRAM.

5. FULBRIGHT AND EDGERTON WILL DEPART MAY 15, HALL WILL STAY ON UNTIL MAY 20. AS EMBASSY AWARE, IIE IS A PRIVATE, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION UNDER CONTRACT TO CU, WHICH PROVIDES THE INSTITUTE WITH ABOUT 50 PER CENT OF ITS INCOME FROM THE PLACEMENT OF FOREIGN STUDENTS AND THE RECRUITMENT OF U.S. STUDENTS UNDER THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM. TRIP HAS NO RELATIONSHIP TO THE OFFICIAL CONNECTION BETWEEN CU AND IIE. KISSINGER

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